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Dear Mr. Calfee,

In reviewing documentation reports on Transportation Impacts Analysis in the CEQA guidelines by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State of California and Perkins Cole California Land Use & Development Law Report, including Real Coalition Comments OPR SB 743 Draft Guidelines. We would like to put our Community input into the real world.

We have serious concerns regarding unintended consequences streamlining CEQA for certain types of projects.

In Santa Cruz County, Branciforte area, the first coastal community on the coast of California since 1797. We feel there is nothing smart about crippling our long time neighborhoods with road corridors that have not been widened for over one hundred years. The City of Santa Cruz supports major campaigns of high density projects along with waiving traffic reports with a lack of responsible parking for new development and no consideration of upgrading parking areas for these new project sites.

Safety for our community neighborhoods is a significant concern. There are serious impacts resulting from traffic congestion, now. Accidents along the Soquel Avenue and Water Street corridor require investigation and transparency for future planned developments. We have constant accidents with cars, and bicycles, along these streets and our public is not able to obtain reports regarding these incidents. We request in the upcoming CEQA that the State of California is able to request from City's, a Talley of accidents down these neighborhood

streets and major corridors. Also, with the over impact of vehicles, emergency vehicles have trouble moving through these congested areas.

Favored developers see realigning our General Plan for future massive density without improving are community infrastructures, including major traffic corridors. This is being done at an enormous expense to our natural resources and local economy, and Historic areas. How can we justify an already unsafe situation to have more high density added to our already problem areas? We would like to see the CEQA process help protect are growing communities, helping us to have safety first.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Silveira".

Ed Silveira, Neighborhood Representative
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